Update to the Archdiocese of Adelaide regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Firstly, my thoughts are with those of you who are the front line of our new regulations. I thought of you all with gratitude over the weekend as you cared for distressed and sometimes angry parishioners. Everyone is suffering, many are confused and fearful about what is happening, and I thank you deeply for your pastoral patience and care.

Please note that this note is simply an attempt to respond quickly to immediate concerns that have been raised.

If you have not yet seen Bishop O’Kelly’s YouTube then I commend it to you.

It can be viewed on the home page of the Adelaide Archdiocese website www.adelaide.catholic.org.au or via the Archdiocese Facebook page. FOR PIRIE, please put www.pp.catholic.org.au

We have sought clarification regarding the new directions made by Prime Minister Scott Morrison. Following consultation with the Australian Catholic Bishops Commission, I now confirm that with immediate effect:

- **All churches must now be closed, even to private prayer.** All public Masses and communal devotions inside churches and outdoors are suspended in the Archdiocese.

- **All except priests are dispensed from the obligation of Sunday Mass.** A variety of ways the faithful are encouraged to keep the Sunday holy include: prayer at home; reading the Scriptures of the day; praying for the graces they would normally receive in Holy Communion; prayerfully joining Mass online or by television. (We will publish details for access shortly).

- **Priests are asked to celebrate Mass for and on behalf of their people and their needs, and for the needs of all those affected by Coronavirus. Mass and Divine Office for the Sick, for Any Need, and Votive masses of Our Lady of Lourdes may be prayed.**

- **Funerals:** are only permitted in the presence of up to 10 people. Hygiene and social distancing regulations are to be rigorously observed. All surfaces must be disinfected after use and two arm’s length distance must be maintained between all present. Please continue work with Funeral Directors to ensure this. Non-compliance can result in legal sanctions.

- **Baptisms:** are not permitted for the time being. In cases of danger of death or urgent pastoral necessity a baptism may be celebrated with no more than the parents and two godparents present with the minister, ensuring that all hygiene and social distancing regulations are observed as outlined above.

- **Weddings:** are only permitted in the presence of the bride, groom and two witnesses with the minister. Hygiene and social distancing regulations are to be rigorously observed. All surfaces must be disinfected after use and two arm’s length distance must be maintained between all present. For this time permission is granted to celebrate in the surrounds of a church (i.e. outside a sacred place). The limits of five people present must still be rigorously observed.

- **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Assemblies for the second or third form of the Rite are prohibited. Priests may and should respond to individual requests for individual for the sacrament, so long as hygiene and distancing regulations are observed, but may not advertise or open the church for Reconciliation.

- **Sacraments of Initiation:** are to be deferred except in individual cases of danger of death or urgent pastoral necessity, in which case only the catechumen/candidate and sponsor may be present with the minister.

- **Viaticum:** Clergy should make themselves available for pastoral care of those who are dying, observing all the regulations for hygiene and distancing so far as possible, along with the protocols established by care homes, prisons, hospitals and other institutions. Clergy who are at higher risk are advised to invite priests at less risk to administer Viaticum or the Sacrament of Anointing. Imposition of hands can be conferred by holding hands over rather than on the head, and anointing by the medium of a cotton ball or bud, or protective glove. Anointing of the head will be sufficient.

- **Availability:** Clergy must make sure that their parishioners can contact them in emergencies.

- **Gatherings for preparation for first Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist are not permitted and need to be deferred for the time being.**

- **Please encourage neighbours, parishioners and friends to support each other through prayer, regular phone calls, cooking and shopping for the housebound and isolated, and every means of spiritual and social connection possible.**

- **Clery are invited to employ time now freed from normal pastoral duties to keep in touch with their congregations over the next months by phone calls or other social media.**

- **Regular visitors to the sick are encouraged to use their regular time of visit to phone, FaceTime, Skype etc.**

I am profoundly aware of the disappointment and sorrow some will experience as a result of these directions. You and your people are deeply in my thoughts and prayers.

With fraternal regards,

Fr. Philip Marshall – Administrator Delegate
Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The current global pandemic of COVID 19, time of uncertainties and anxieties gives us the hope of the Lord as we read from the Book of Deuteronomy 31:8, “It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.”

As we celebrate Palm Sunday, the agony, passion, crucifixion, and death lead us to celebrate the Resurrection of Lord, so also, in the midst of worries, fears, and unknown future, the Lord is our hope.

The Passion of the Lord comes into reality in our lives more than ever before during this time of pandemic, as many of our brothers and sisters are isolated, social distancing measures are in place, reaching out to medical assistance, businesses are shutting down, most of us reach out to job seekers and job keepers payment, faith community celebrating our Mass and other devotions in different ways than normal.

Our faith in Jesus Christ reminds us that the sufferings and crucifixion of our divine Lord in his humanity are the source of strength and encouragement in our daily struggles as we are in these challenging times. Let us focus on “Jesus Christ, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant.” (Phil 2:6).

Pope Francis, during his visit at the time of typhoon disaster to Tacloban in 2015 said, "We have a Lord who is capable of crying with us, capable of walking with us in the most difficult moments of life." We will pass through this tunnel and reach the other side.

Let us offer this Sunday Mass and pray for God’s protection to the world, and specially we pray for our health care personals, doctors, nurses, essential service providers, and researches that they may receive God’s grace and blessings as they tirelessly serve our community.

Many Blessings,

Fr. Anthoni Adimai
Administrator - Adelaide Cathedral Parish

Make Your Weekly Contributions Online to the Adelaide Cathedral Parish

There have been a number of enquiries from our parishioners regarding supporting the parish in these challenging times as they are unable to financially contribute through the weekly Parish collections at Mass.

We thank you for your support and are happy to inform you that you can now make your weekly donation to the Parish online by visiting or copying the link below:

- Please choose Adelaide in the drop down box for Parish Name.
- It will bring up a page titled Adelaide Parish. Enter payment details: Name, address, city, state, post code etc. and choose first collection in the payment type tab. All fields with a * are mandatory.
- Please fill in all the mandatory payment detail fields and submit your information. Thank you.

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### Parish Office (across the lawn from the Cathedral)

- Mon to Fri: 9.30am–4.30pm • 8232 8688.
- 39 Wakefield St (corner of Wakefield and King William St) Adelaide SA 5000.
- Mailing: GPO BOX 1364, Adelaide SA 5001.
- acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au • www.adelcathparish.org
- Parish newsletter: www.adelcathparish.org/news-events/
  - weekly-newsletters.

### Parish Pastoral Team

#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
- Fr. Peter Rozitis/ Parish Office • 8232 8688

#### Finance and Maintenance Coordinator
- Trevor McAuliffe • 8210 8194

#### Pastoral Assistant (Queen of Angels/ Holy Name)
- Maria Iadanza • 8232 8688

#### Office Coordinator/ Administration
- Kate Hampton • 8232 8688
- Conrad Fernandez • 8232 8688

#### Sacramental Coordinator (Mon & Thu 9.30am-3pm)
- Jen Sherlock • 8210 8242

#### Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson
- Dr Bill Griffiths • 0488 057 660

#### Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
- Otherway Centre • 8362 3185

### Schools in the parish

- St Aloysius College • www.sac.sa.edu.au
  - Principal: Ms Paddy McEvoy • 8217 3200
- Christian Brothers College • www.cbc.sa.edu.au
  - Principal: Mr Dan Lynch • 8400 4222 (Junior Campus)
  - 8400 4200 (Senior Campus)
- St Mary’s College • www.stmaryscollege.catholic.edu.au
  - Principal: Ms Clare Nocka • 8216 5700
- St Patrick’s Special School • www.stpats.catholic.edu.au
  - Principal: Ms Cathy Sires • 8332 1555

### Any emergency requiring a priest
- 0417 080 955

### Pastoral Care:
- Visitation and Communion can be arranged for parishioners who are ill. Please call the Office: 82328688.
Palm Sunday Service April 5th

Palm Sunday Mass will be live streamed from St. Francis Xavier’s Cathedral this Sunday April 5 at 10am.

Please let your communities know that it can be viewed live and on demand on the home page of www.adelaide.catholic.org.au.

It will also be available via our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/adelaidearchdiocese/

It will also available via our YouTube page: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCG8JH2IvxvF3Bf4rHfF0_vVw

Hymns: The hymn sheet to participate in the live-streamed Sunday mass can be found on: http://adelcathparish.org/cathedral-music

Daily Mass being live-streamed

We will also be commencement live streaming of Daily Mass from next Monday at 12.10pm on the links above.

Stations of the Cross

The Passionist Community at The Monastery, Glen Osmond, has pre-recorded the 2020 Stations of the Cross. This can be viewed on YouTube at: https://youtu.be/l26ijKw-KHwM.

Holy Week Services (Apr 6th to 10th)

The following Easter services will be broadcast on free to air television on Channel 44, a community television station, at the following times:

Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord’s Supper, 6.30pm- 7.30pm

Good Friday - Passion of the Lord, 3pm - 4pm

Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil in the Holy Night, 6pm - 7pm

Easter Sunday - 9am - 10am

Other online resources are available on the Archdiocesan website: www.adelaide.catholic.org.au along with the latest Coronavirus Protocols.

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has further information at https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus

Worship

Entrance Antiphon: Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches with a loud voice cried out:

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

O gates, lift your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory!

Who is the king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7.

Responsorial Psalm: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27.

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, have mercy.

Communion Antiphon: Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

Next week: Easter Sunday.

First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43.


Prayer Requests

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Michael Paul


Holy Name: Palma Florinno Guercioni

Sick:

Online Mass and Prayer Services

Please note that the St. Francis Xavier Cathedral and all other churches in our parish are closed until further notice. Please call 82328688 from 9.30am-4.30pm Monday-Friday if you have any questions.

Mass will be live streamed at every Sunday at 10am for our Parish. Please visit:

https://youtu.be/x2TY8jA67x8

We have also listed a number of online Mass and prayers services below for your reference:

Channel 10 at 6am every Sunday morning
Mass for you at www.cathnews.com

Daily Mass can also be viewed at 9.30am and 9.30pm on the Shalomworld Australian channel.

Alternative times on the North American channel are 12.30pm and Europe channel at 7.30pm. They can be watched live on a SmartTV or smart phone by: downloading the Shalomworld app, or online on a laptop or PC at www.shalomworld.org/dailymass.

Daily Mass on Demand -- CathNews YouTube Channel - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYRq7AJVimr-hcHFJD_HVaQ


Live webcast of Sunday Mass
St Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane https://www.youtube.com/channel/UClMvVL7ahHez7fMR8yuPfXw/live

Readings of the day -- Universalis.Com https://universalis.com/mass.htm

Sign up to receive daily Gospel reflections Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/living-word/

Madonna Magazine/Australian Jesuits www.pray.com.au


Faith Video Programs https://shalomworld.org/

Project Compassion Family Lenten Campaign

Please support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed “Go Further Together”.

As Teresa of Calcutta said, “Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things, with great love.” You will be helping empower our world’s most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty.

When we Go Further Together in love and compassion, the whole world thrives.

You can donate by visiting the website www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or via phone: 1 800 024 413.

Sunday Liturgy for Families

As a response to the COVID-19 situation while Masses have been suspended, the Family and Parish-Based Catechesis Office has prepared liturgies with a focus on children. Families can use these at home to reflect on the Gospel each Sunday.

This can be found at this link on the Archdiocesan website: http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/our-works-and-community/family-and-parish-based-catechesis/prayer-services.

Please help us to make your families aware of this resource for this time. For further information contact Sr Jenny Seal fdnsc, Consultant: Family& Parish-Based Catechesis Office on Email: jenny.seal@cesa.catholic.edu.au

Youth Ministry Resource Online

The Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults is compiling resources for youth and young adult ministry in these extraordinary times. To view these resources visit http://www.cathyouthadelaide.org.au/resources1

Loyola Outreach Newsletter and Personal Retreat at home

Please access the newsletter that contains a number of useful resources for personal prayer and reflection in these challenging times. Please paste the link below in your browser to access the information: http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/__files/f/37306/2_March%202020%20Ver%202.pdf

Loyola Outreach Team of Sevenhill Centre of Jesuit and Ignatian Spirituality are offering you an opportunity to undertake a personal retreat at home with direction from one of their team by regular email and phone, FaceTime, Zoom or Skype support.

For further information, please phone Wayne Brabin: 0411 269 630 or email: loyola.outreach@internode.on.net